



The Ackerman Family

Missionaries to Bolivia

Dear family and prayer warriors,

3/25/11

It has been a difficult several months personally for our family. We thank you for your continued prayer as the next few weeks will be very straining.

I, (Rick) did have surgery on my shoulder at the end of February. The dr. said I would have lost its usefulness in the future because the bicep tendon was hanging on by a thread and we praise the Lord that I was able to have this done before we headed back to Bolivia. I am recovering well with physical therapy. Sheila is doing well and has been a wonderful blessing in my recuperation; I thank the Lord for her.

We have had the pleasure of visiting our supporting churches in Texas and will be heading up to Nebraska in a few weeks. The Lord has been good to keep us safe in our travels and bless the meetings. Since we pray for the churches, it is great to see how the Lord is working in each one and how to pray more specifically in the future.

Our oldest son, Brandon who has been with us since Christmas will be shipping off for Ft. Benning, GA on the 3rd of April as he begins training for the U.S. Army infantry. We are proud of him as parents and know he will serve our country well; it is hard knowing we will most likely not be at his graduation in July and it may be at least several years before we see him again.

Sharon has begun having problems again with seizures and has had her medicine adjusted. She will be undergoing some testing on March 31 and we pray for a good outcome. We are also trying to plan for her future just incase something should happen to us.

Our son Nathan faces some difficult decisions regarding college and we ask you to pray for wisdom for him and obedience to the Lord's leading. Our youngest son Joel is doing well and will graduate in May and for his senior trip his entire class of 5 is going to Washington, D.C.

The ministry in Bolivia continues on under the faithful leadership of Pastor Arcil. He has expressed that he is being led to return to his home church of Tabladita on our arrival in Bolivia so that he can help them with their new outreach in another very needy neighborhood of Tarija. Please pray for him to have wisdom in this. We certainly do understand his desire to help his pastor and support whatever decision he makes.

Thank you for upholding our family in prayer!

Please Pray: Brandon leaving April 3 for Army; College decisions for Nathan; Testing for Sharon; Healing for Rick; Wisdom for Pastor Arcil; God's timing in our return to Bolivia; Nebraska meetings; travel mercies

Praises: Rick's surgery successful; Continuing ministry in Bolivia; God's goodness to us through the churches

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P.S Note the Furlough address change below.

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